# **CITY OF DETROIT FISCAL 2007/08 BUDGET**

### AGENCY 72 DETROIT PUBLIC LIBRARY

#### STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Detroit Public Library will provide easy access to local and global information that will assist all users in the development of a lifetime of enrichment and growth. As the Library moves into the future, it will hold on to the best of its services while meeting changing community needs. The community will recognize the library as a vital force for expanding the mind, promoting literacy, embracing diversity, creating opportunities for individual and community development, and building a thriving city.

The Detroit Public Library enhances the quality of life for the diverse and dynamic community in the City of Detroit. The Library enlightens and empowers its citizens to meet their lifelong learning needs through open and equitable access to information, technology, and cultural/educational programs.

In fulfilling its mission, the Detroit Public Library will focus on: collecting, preserving, digitizing and providing access to knowledge and information that is most relevant to Detroit citizens; providing services in facilities that are stable, functional and inviting; assuring that library resources and services are available to all who need them at accessible times and places; outreach to non-library users and to community segments that are farthest removed from library locations.

#### **DESCRIPTION**

The Detroit Public Library serves as the City's information hub and a major educational, cultural and informational resource. The library has a book collection of over 3.7 million catalogued volumes; this is supplemented by current periodicals, and an extensive Audio, Video and DVD collection. In addition, the library has up to 4 million pieces of manuscripts, sheet music, scores, photographs, pictures and government documents. Twenty-three (23) neighborhood branches serve as community centers, providing informational services that are unique to their communities. Over 800 public access computers provide customers with Internet access. Computer assistance and training is available at most library locations. Two bookmobiles make weekly stops to schools and community centers farthest removed from library locations.

Detroit Public Library (DPL) desires to provide the highest level of public library services to the citizens of Detroit by maintaining, constantly evaluating and improving on traditional and innovative public library services.

# **GOALS**

- 1. Develop a strategic plan to effectively position the Detroit Public Library as Detroit's information hub, and the cultural and technology centers for Detroit's neighborhoods.
- 2. Provide access to a variety of resources and services that meet the informational needs of the customers.
- 3. Provide quality customer service in an environment of continuous improvement.

### **DEPARTMENTAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

	CAPITAL					
EXPENDITURES	<u>OTHER</u>		<b>PROJECTS</b>		TOTAL	
REVENUES	\$52,203,417		\$1,000,000		\$53,203,417	
NET TAX COST	52,203,417		<u>1,000,000</u>		53,203,417	
	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0
POSITIONS		467		0		467